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What is Claimed is:

1. A method for developing and administering investment trusts comprising:

selecting an investment instrument from a plurality of available investment instruments;

5 creating an investment trust with the selected investment instrument;

trading the investment trust on a financial exchange to provide an ownership interest in the investment trust; and

 $\label{eq:continuous} \mbox{redeeming the ownership interest in the investment trust for at least the investment}$ instrument.

- 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising creating a database of investment instruments available for selection.
- 3. The method of claim 1, further comprising optimizing which investment instruments are selected to produce a desired growth in equity and yield return at a selected level of risk.
- 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising tracking the value of the investment instrument.
- 5. The method of claim 4, further comprising storing value information related to the tracked investment instrument in a database.
- 6. The method of claim 1, further comprising generating a financial report.

7. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

 $\label{eq:determining whether the investment} \mbox{instrument expires; and}$

- 5 replacing the investment instrument with a similar investment instrument when the investment instrument expires.
 - 8. The method of claim 1, further comprising creating a database of investment trusts.
 - 9. A system for developing and administering investment trusts comprising:
- a means for receiving a selection of an investment instrument from a plurality of available 5 investment instruments;
 - a means for creating an investment trust with the received selection of the investment instrument;
- a means for trading the investment trust

 on a financial exchange to provide an ownership
 interest in the investment trust; and
 - a means for redeeming the ownership interest in the investment trust for at least the investment instrument.
 - 10. The system of claim 9, further comprising a means of creating a database of investment instruments available for selection.
 - 11. The system of claim 9, further comprising a means of optimizing which investment instruments are selected to produce a desired growth in equity and yield return at a selected level of risk.

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- 12. The system of claim 9, further comprising a means of tracking the value of the investment instrument.
- 13. The system of claim 12, further comprising a means of storing the value information of the tracked investment instrument in a database.
- 14. The system of claim 9, further comprising a means for generating a financial report.
- 15. The system of claim 9, further comprising:
- a means for determining whether an investment instrument expires; and a means for replacing the investment instrument with a similar investment instrument when the investment instrument expires.
- 16. The system of claim 9, further comprising a means of creating a database of investment trusts.